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INTERROGATORIES OF UNITED PARCEL SERVICE TO UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE WITNESS TAYMAN (UPS/USPS-T6-1 through 9) (October 10, 2001)

Pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Practice, United Parcel Service hereby serves the following interrogatories directed to United States Postal Service witness Tayman (UPS/USPS-T6-1 through 9).

Respectfully submitted,

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UPS/USPS-T6-1. Refer to USPS-LR-J-49, spreadsheet "Prg\_01\_s.XLS", page "FY 01 Other Programs."

- (a) Confirm that the increase in Delivery Confirmation Scanning costs for FY2001 over FY2000 is \$8,030,000 for Cost Segment 3. If not confirmed, explain.
- (i) Describe in detail how this figure was estimated. Include citations for inputs.
- (ii) Describe the clerk activities that are included in this increased cost, the estimated time for each clerk activity, and the volume of each clerk activity.
- (b) Confirm that the increase in Delivery Confirmation Scanning costs for FY2001 over FY2000 is \$14,603,000 for Cost Segment 6/7. If not confirmed, explain.
- (i) Describe in detail how this figure was estimated. Include citations for inputs.
- (ii) Describe the carrier activities that are included in this increased cost, the estimated time for each carrier activity, and the volume of each carrier activity. UPS/USPS-T6-2. Refer to USPS-LR-J-49, spreadsheet "Prg\_01\_s.XLS", page "FY 01 Other Programs."
- (a) Confirm that the increase in C/S 3 costs for FY2001 over FY2000 from the Postal Service handling PMPC activities is \$146,800,000. If not confirmed, explain.
- (i) Describe in detail how this figure was estimated. Include citations for inputs.

- (ii) Is this cost also included in the testimony of witness Hatfield, USPS-T-18? Explain in detail, including citations to witness Hatfield's testimony and workpapers.
- (b) Confirm that the increase in C/S 14 costs for FY2001 over FY2000 from the Postal Service handling PMPC activities is \$259,500,000. If not confirmed, explain.
- (i) Describe in detail how this figure was estimated. Include citations for inputs.
- (ii) Does this amount include any FedEx contract costs? If so, specify which costs and explain.
- (iii) Is this cost also included in the testimony of witness Hatfield, USPS-T-18? Explain in detail, including citations to witness Hatfield's testimony and workpapers.

UPS/USPS-T6-3. Refer to USPS-LR-J-49, spreadsheet "Prg\_01\_s.XLS", page "FY 02 Other Programs."

- (a) Confirm that the increase in C/S 3 costs for FY2002 over FY2001 from the Postal Service handling PMPC activities is \$64,800,000. If not confirmed, explain.
- (i) Describe in detail how this figure was estimated. Include citations for inputs.
- (ii) Is this cost also included in the testimony of witness Hatfield,
  USPS-T-18? Explain in detail, including citations to witness Hatfield's testimony and
  workpapers.

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- (b) Confirm that the increase in C/S 14 costs for FY2002 over FY2001 from the Postal Service handling PMPC activities is \$125,400,000. If not confirmed, explain.
- (i) Describe in detail how this figure was estimated. Include citations for inputs.
- (ii) Does this amount include any FedEx contract costs? If so, specify which costs and explain.
- (iii) Is this cost also included in the testimony of witness Hatfield, USPS-T-18? Explain in detail, including citations to witness Hatfield's testimony and workpapers.
- (c) Confirm that the increase in C/S 14 costs for FY2002 over FY2001 from the FedEx contract is \$57,500,000. If not confirmed, explain.
- (i) Describe in detail how this figure was estimated. Include citations for inputs.
- (ii) Does this amount represent the increase in C/S 14 costs over what would have been incurred in the absence of the FedEx contract? If not, explain what this amount represents.
- (iii) Is this cost also included in the testimony of witness Hatfield, USPS-T-18? Explain in detail, including citations to witness Hatfield's testimony and workpapers.
- (d) Confirm that the decrease in C/S 16 costs for FY2002 over FY2001 from the elimination of the PMPC contract is \$347,670,000. If not confirmed, explain.

- (i) Describe in detail how this figure was estimated. Include citations for inputs.
- (ii) Does this amount represent the amount that would have been paid to operate the PMPC network had the PMPC contract not been terminated? If not, explain what this amount represents.
- (iii) Is this cost also included in the testimony of witness Hatfield, USPS-T-18? Explain in detail, including citations to witness Hatfield's testimony and workpapers.

UPS/USPS-T6-4. Refer to USPS-LR-J-49, spreadsheet "Prg\_01\_s.XLS", page "FY 03 Other Programs."

- (a) Confirm that the increase in C/S 14 costs for FY2003 over FY2002 from the FedEx contract is \$10,247,000. If not confirmed, explain.
- (i) Describe in detail how this figure was estimated. Include citations for inputs.
- (ii) Does this amount represent the increase in C/S 14 costs over what would have been incurred in the absence of the FedEx contract? If not, explain what this amount represents.
- (iii) Is this cost also included in the testimony of witness Hatfield, USPS-T-18? Explain in detail, including citations to witness Hatfield's testimony and workpapers.
  - (b) Explain why there is not a line item entry for PMPC in-house activities.

(c) Explain why there is not a line item entry for termination of the PMPC contract.

UPS/USPS-T6-5. Refer to USPS-LR-J-49, spreadsheet "Prg\_01\_s.XLS", page "Cost Reductions."

- (a) Confirm that the reduction in C/S 14 costs for FY2002 over FY2001 of \$136,120,000 is a result of the FedEx contract.
- (c) Describe in detail how this figure was estimated. Include citations for inputs.
  - (d) Describe in detail the source of these savings.
- (e) Is this savings also included in the testimony of witness Hatfield, USPS-T-18? Explain in detail, including citations to witness Hatfield's testimony and workpapers.

UPS/USPS-T6-6. Refer to USPS-LR-J-49, spreadsheet "Prg\_01\_s.XLS", page "Cost Reductions."

- (a) Confirm that the reduction in C/S 14 costs for FY2003 over FY2002 of \$147,000 is a result of the FedEx contract.
- (b) Describe in detail how this figure was estimated. Include citations for inputs.
  - (c) Describe in detail the source of these savings.
- (d) Is this savings also included in the testimony of witness Hatfield, USPS-T-18? Explain in detail, including citations to witness Hatfield's testimony and workpapers.

UPS/USPS-T6-7. (a) How many Priority Mail Processing Centers were operated by Emery when the contract was cancelled?

- (b) How many of these Priority Mail Processing Centers are now operated by the Postal Service?
- (i) Describe any operational differences between the Priority Mail

  Processing Centers as operated by Emery and the facilities as operated by the Postal

  Service.
  - (ii) Explain any differences between the number of facilities that were operated by Emery and the number operated by the Postal Service.

UPS/USPS-T6-8. Does the Postal Service plan to increase or decrease the number of these processing centers? Explain why, or why not.

UPS/USPS-T6-9. Refer to USPS-LR-J-49, spreadsheet "Prg\_01\_s.XLS", page "HQ & FSU," line item "HQ & Field Service Units."

- (a) How much of the total \$171,869,000 in FY2001 is caused by the move of the Sales function from the field to Headquarters? Describe in detail how this figure was estimated, and include citations for inputs.
- (b) How much of the total \$21,806,000 in FY2002 is caused by the move of the Sales function from the field to Headquarters? Describe in detail how this figure was estimated, and include citations for inputs.

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served the foregoing document by first class mail, postage prepaid, in accordance with Section 12 of the Commission's Rules of Practice.

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